



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Krishna Gupta et al.  
Serial No.: 10/651,074  
Filed: August 28, 2003  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCTION OF GAS BUBBLE  
FORMATION DUE TO GAS DIFFUSION THROUGH LIQUIDS  
CONTAINED IN PORES  
Examiner: Not Assigned  
Art Unit: 2856  
Docket No.: PMI-23

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE RESPONSE  
ACCOMPANIED BY FEE**

The applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time to respond to the Office Action dated November 20, 2003, for one month, from January 20, 2004 to February 20, 2004.

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached for payment of extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0910. A **duplicate of this transmittal is attached.**

Respectfully submitted:

Date: 2/13/04

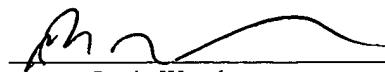
  
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**DATE: February 13, 2004**

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Certified Mail with return receipt requested on the date indicated above and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
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